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CINERARIASENECIO PLANT NAMED 'SUNSENERAPI'

BOTANICAL/COMMERCIAL CLASSIFICATION

Senecio cruentus x *Senecio heritieri*/CinerariaSenecio

Plant

5 VARIETAL DENOMINATION

cv. 'Sunsenerapi'

BACKGROUND OF THE VARIETY

The present invention relates to a new and distinct variety of *Senecio* genus plant named 'Sunsenerapi'.

10 'Sunsenerapi' is a distinct and unique variety, which is a dome-shaped plant ~~of height~~ with abundant branching, light purplish pink flowers, and a long blooming term.

15 There are many varieties [[in]] of *Senecio L.*—~~Senecio cruentus~~ is well known as 'Cineraria' and cultivated in the world. There are many cultivated varieties with flowers of a single color of white, pink, red, blue or violet. Some varieties have marginal variegation with off color parts.

20 The female parent used in the crossing of 'Sunsenerapi' is a clone of our own breeding line, *Senecio cruentus*, '8S-84e' (not patented in the United States), which is a compact, dome-shaped plant, 16 cm in height. The stems are thick, 8.0 mm in diameter, with no anthocyanin coloration. The leaf is ~~efin~~ in a serrated heart form and moderate yellow green. The leaf size is medium, approximately 12.0 cm long[[,]] and approximately 12.5 cm wide. The ~~flower~~capitulum is single flowered and has white ~~petals~~ray florets with white disk ~~flowers~~florets having no marginal variegation. '8S-84e' has some scent.

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30 The pollen parent used in the crossing of 'Sunsenerapi' is our breeding line (unnamed plant), *Senecio heritieri* (not patented or sold in the United States), which was originally introduced from England ~~at first~~. *Senecio heritieri* is a high and dome-shaped plant, approximately 26 cm in height with

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abundant branching. Stems are approximately 5.1 mm in diameter, with no anthocyanin coloration. The leaf is in a serrated heart form and light yellowish green. The leaf size is small, approximately 5.5 cm long, approximately 6.3 cm wide. The ~~flower~~capitulum is single flowered, having strong purple ~~petals~~ray florets with vague white parts and strong reddish purple disk ~~flowers~~florets. *Senecio heritieri* has no scent.

Progress

The controlled crossing with a plant of *Senecio cruentus* '8S-84e' and a plant of *Senecio heritieri* was conducted at Omori-cho, Yokaichi-shi, Shiga, Japan in February, 1999. Seedlings from this crossing were grown since September, 1999. Four strains were selected in January 2000 among them in view of flower color and earliness. After multiplication by tissue culture, the botanical characteristics of the selected new strains were tested in pots since September 2000, using parent varieties and 'Sunsenere' (U.S. Plant Patent Number patented in the United States: No.PLANT12162, at 23.Oct.2001) and 'Midget' (not patented in the United States) for comparison, since 2000. As a result, one strain was selected. and it is confirmed that the instant plant reproduces true to type in successive generations of asexual reproduction ~~selected variety met our criteria of being uniform and stable in its characteristics.~~

~~Then this new variety of Senecio genus plant was named 'Sunsenerapi' (*Senecio cruentus* x *Senecio heritieri*).~~

The new variety of Senecio plant was asexually reproduced by cuttings at Omori-cho, Yokaichi-shi, Shiga-ken, Japan.

Senecio cruentus, '8S-84e', and *Senecio heritieri* are presently maintained at the Omori-cho, Yokaichi-shi, Shiga-ken, Japan.

In the following descriptions, the color-coding is in accordance with the Horticultural Colour Chart of the Royal

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Horticultural Society, London, England (R.H.S. Colour Chart).

The botanical characteristics of the female parent plant *Senecio cruentus*, '8S-84e', used in the crossing of 'Sunsenerapi' are as follows.

5 Plant:

Growth habit - Dwarf compact

Height - Approximately 16 cm

Stem:

Thickness - Approximately 8.0 mm

10 Color - Moderate yellowish green (near R.H.S.C.C. No. 139C)

Anthocyanin coloration - Absent

Branching - Fair

Pubescence - Sparse

15 ~~Length of third internode below flag leaf Internode length at the middle of main stem~~ - Approximately 0.5 cm

Leaf:

Whole shape - Heart form with a swollen basal part, which is notched [[at]] where the basal part of the blade attaches to the petiole.

20 Depth of concavity of leaf margin - Medium

Type of convexity - Acute

Apex shape - Obtuse

Base shape - Cordate

25 Degree of Undulation - Fair

Length - Approximately 12.0 cm

Width - Approximately 12.5 cm

Diameter of petiole - Approximately 5.0 mm

Length of petiole - Approximately 5.5 cm

30 Color of upper surface - Moderate yellow green (near R.H.S.C.C. No.137C)

Color of reverse surface - Grayish yellow green (near R.H.S.C.C. No.138B)

Anthocyanin coloration of reverse surface - Absent

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Pubescence of upper surface - Present

Pubescence of reverse surface - Dense

Color of pubescence of reverse surface - White

Flower (~~Single flowered cluster~~ (Gathering of corymbs)) :

5 Shape of flower cluster - Flat

Diameter of flower cluster - Approximately 20 cm

Height of flower cluster - Approximately 8 cm

Capitula

Transected shape of ~~corolla~~ capitula - Flat

10 Diameter of ~~flower~~ capitula - Approximately 5.5 cm

Size Diameter of disk ~~flower~~ entire capitula -

Approximately 1.2 cm

Color of ~~petal~~ ray floret - White (near R.H.S.C.C.

No.155D)

15 Marginal variegation - Absent

Color of disk ~~flower~~ floret - White (near R.H.S.C.C.

No.155D)

~~Petal~~ Ray floret length - Approximately 2.1 cm

~~Petal~~ Ray floret width - Approximately 1.0 cm

20 Shape of ~~petal~~ ray floret - Elliptical

Lengthwise warp of ~~petal~~ ray floret - Flat

Concavity of ~~petal~~ ray floret tip - Present

Shape of ~~petal~~ ray floret tip - Rounded

Number of ray ~~flower~~ floret - Approximately 13

25 Number of disk ~~flower~~ floret - Approximately 105

Diameter of pedicel of the first ~~flower~~ capitulum -

Approximately 1.6 mm

Length of pedicel of the first ~~flower~~ capitulum -

Approximately 2.4 cm

30 Number of ~~flowers~~ capitula per a flower cluster plant -

approximately 75

Scent - Present

Calyx Phyllaries:

Degree of concavity - Flat

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Degree of recurvature Length - Approximately 2.2 mm
Color - Moderate yellow green (near R.H.S.C.C. No.139C)
Anthocyanin coloration - Absent

Pistil:

5 Color - Light yellow (near R.H.S.C.C. No.11B)
Number - 1
Type - Style branches truncate (i.e., the top of the style is separated in [to] two and the shape of the top is truncated)

10 Stamen:

Color - Brilliant yellow (near R.H.S.C.C. No.12B)
Type - 5 anthers are connate, with separated filaments
Blooming period - January (Sowing in August)

Hardiness:

15 Cold - Good
Rain - Good
Heat - Good

Resistance:

20 Disease - Good
Insect - Good

The botanical characteristics of the male parent plant *Senecio heritieri* used in the crossing of 'Sunsenerapi' are as follows.

Plant:

25 Growth habit - Dwarf compact
Height - Approximately 26 cm

Stem:

Thickness - Approximately 5.1 mm
Color - Very pale green (near R.H.S.C.C. No.128D)
30 Anthocyanin coloration - Absent
Branching - Abundant
Type of primary lateral shoot - Branch from every node
Pubescence - Dense

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Length of third internode below flag leaf Internode length at the middle of main stem - Approximately 0.8 cm

Leaf:

Whole shape - Heart form with a swollen basal part, which is notched [[at]] where the basal part of the blade attaches to the petiole.

5 Depth of concavity of leaf margin - Medium

Type of convexity - Acute

Apex shape - Obtuse

10 Base shape - Cordate

Degree of Undulation - Weak

Length - Approximately 5.5 cm

Width - Approximately 6.3 cm

15 Diameter of petiole - Approximately 4.2 mm

Length of petiole - Approximately 7.5 cm

Color of upper surface - Light yellowish green (near R.H.S.C.C. No.136D)

Color of reverse surface - Very pale green (near R.H.S.C.C. No.128D)

20 Anthocyanin coloration of reverse surface - Absent

Pubescence of upper surface - Dense

Pubescence of reverse surface - Dense

Color of pubescence of reverse surface - White

Flower cluster (Gathering of corymbs (Single flowered)) :

25 Shape of flower cluster - Uneven

Diameter of flower cluster - Approximately 18 cm

Height of flower cluster - Approximately 15 cm

Capitula:

30 Transected shape of ~~corolla~~ capitula - Flat

Diameter of flower capitula - Approximately 4.8 cm

Size Diameter of entire disk flower - Approximately 0.9 cm

Color of petal ray floret - Strong purple (near R.H.S.C.C. No.81B)

Marginal variegation - Present

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Diameter of off color part - Approximately 1.3 cm
Border of marginal variegation - Vague
Color of disk ~~flower~~floret - Strong reddish purple (near
R.H.S.C.C. No.72A)

5 PetalRay floret length - Approximately 2.2 cm
PetalRay floret width - Approximately 0.4 cm
Shape of petalray floret - Rectangular
Lengthwise warp of petalray floret - Flat
Concavity of petalray floret tip - Present

10 Shape of petalray floret tip - Acute
Number of ray ~~flower~~floret - Approximately 13
Number of disk ~~flower~~floret - Approximately 110
Diameter of pedicel of the ~~first~~ flowercapitulum -
Approximately 1.2 mm

15 Length of pedicel of the ~~first~~ flowercapitulum -
Approximately 2.5 cm
Number of ~~flowers~~capitula per a ~~flower~~ clusterplant -
Approximately 35
Scent - Absent

20 ~~Calyx~~Phyllaries:
Degree of concavity - Flat
Degree of recurvatureLength - Approximately 3.1 mm
Color - Very pale green (near R.H.S.C.C. No.128D)
Anthocyanin coloration - Present

25 Pistil:
Color - Strong reddish purple (near R.H.S.C.C. No.72A)
Number - 1
Type - Style branches truncate (i.e., the top of the
style is separated in[[to]] two and the shape of the top is
truncated)

30 Stamen:
Color - Strong reddish purple (near R.H.S.C.C. No.72A)
Type - 5 anthers are connate, with separated filaments
Blooming period - End of January (Sowing in August)

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Hardiness:

Cold - Good

Rain - Good

Heat - Good

5 Resistance:

Disease - Good

Insect - Good

The botanical characteristics of a similar variety 'Sunsenere' (*Senecio cruentus* x *Senecio heritieri*) which was patented in the United States, used for examination as a comparison variety are as follows.

Plant:

Growth habit - Semi-dwarf erect

Height - Approximately 25 cm

15 Stem:

Thickness - Approximately 5.0 mm

Color - Moderate yellowish green (near R.H.S.C.C. No.139C)

Anthocyanin coloration - Present in parts of stem, e.g., can be seen at the part of peduncle.

Degree of anthocyanin coloration - It is light grayish olive (near R.H.S.C.C. No.197A) at the part wherein anthocyanin is present, but it is moderate yellowish green (near R.H.S.C.C. No.138C) at the part where anthocyanin is absent.

Branching - Abundant, i.e., approximately 9 to 11 branches

Type of primary lateral shoot - Branch from every node

Pubescence - Sparse

Length of third internode below flag leaf Internode length at the middle of main stem - Approximately 1.0 cm

Leaf:

Whole shape - Heart form with a swollen basal part, which

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is notched [[at]] where the basal part of the blade attaches to the petiole.

Depth of concavity of leaf margin - The maximum depth of concavity measured from the average convexity peak height is
5 approximately 7 mm.

Type of convexity - Acute

Apex shape - Obtuse

Base shape - Cordate

Degree of Undulation - Weak

10 Length - Approximately 8.6 cm

Width - Approximately 10.3 cm

Diameter of petiole - Approximately 3.2 mm

Length of petiole - Approximately 9.0 cm

Color of upper surface - Moderate yellow green (near

15 R.H.S.C.C. No.137C)

Color of reverse surface - Moderate yellow green (near

R.H.S.C.C. No.138C)

Anthocyanin coloration of reverse surface - Absent

Pubescence of upper surface - Dense

20 Pubescence of reverse surface - Dense

Color of pubescence of reverse surface - White

Flower cluster (Gathering of corymbs~~Single flowered~~):

Shape of flower cluster - Uneven

Diameter of flower cluster - Approximately 34 cm

25 Height of flower cluster - Approximately 22 cm

Capitula

Transected shape of ~~corolla~~capitula - Flat

Diameter of ~~flower~~capitula - Approximately 6.4 cm

~~Size~~Diameter of entire disk flower - Approximately 1.3 cm

30 Color of ~~petal~~ray floret - Vivid reddish purple (near

R.H.S.C.C. No.78A)

Marginal variegation - Absent

Color of disk ~~flower~~floret - Deep reddish purple (near

R.H.S.C.C. No.80A)

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PetalRay floret length - Approximately 2.6 cm

PetalRay floret width - Approximately 0.8 cm

Shape of petalray floret - Rectangular

Lengthwise warp of petalray floret - Flat

5 Concavity of petalray floret tip - Present

Shape of petalray floret tip - Acute

Number of ray flowerfloret - Approximately 15-16

Number of disk flowerfloret - Approximately 130

Diameter of pedicel of the first flowercapitulum -

10 Approximately 1.2 mm

Length of pedicel of the first flowercapitulum -

Approximately 3.3 cm

Number of flowerscapitula per a flower clusterplant -

Approximately 88

15 Scent - Present

CalyxPhyllaries:

Degree of concavity - Flat

Degree of recurvatureLength - Approximately 1.2 mm

Color - Very pale green (near R.H.S.C.C. No.130D)

20 Anthocyanin coloration - Absent

Pistil:

Color - Vivid reddish purple (near R.H.S.C.C. No.80A)

Number - 1

25 Type - Style branches truncate (i.e., the top of the style is separated in[[to]] two and the shape of the top is truncated)

Stamen:

Color - Vivid reddish purple (near R.H.S.C.C. No.80A)

Type - 5 anthers are connate, with separated filaments

30 Blooming period - Start at the end of November or early December (cutting in July)

Hardiness:

Cold - Good

Rain - Good

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Heat - Good

Resistance:

Disease - Good

Insect - Good

5 The botanical characteristics of a similar variety 'Midget', used for examination as a comparison variety are as follows.

Plant:

Growth habit - Dwarf

10 Height - Approximately 14 cm

Stem:

Thickness - Approximately 5.6 mm

Color - Moderate yellow green (near R.H.S.C.C. No._139C)

Anthocyanin coloration - Present

15 Degree of anthocyanin coloration - Medium

Branching - Fair

Pubescence - Dense

~~Length of third internode below flag leaf~~Internode length at the middle of main stem - Approximately 0.5 cm

20 Leaf:

Whole shape - Heart form with a swollen basal part, which is notched at where the basal part of the blade attaches to the petiole.

25 Depth of concavity of leaf margin - Medium

Type of convexity - Acute

Apex shape - Acute

Base shape - Cordate

Degree of Undulation - Fair

Length - Approximately 13.9 cm

30 Width - Approximately 10.3 cm

Diameter of petiole - Approximately 4.2 mm

Length of petiole - Approximately 4.7 cm

Color of upper surface - Grayish yellow green (near

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R.H.S.C.C. No.138A)

Color of reverse surface - Grayish yellow green (near

R.H.S.C.C. No.138B)

Anthocyanin coloration of reverse surface - Absent

5 Pubescence of upper surface - Present

Pubescence of reverse surface - Dense

Color of pubescence of reverse surface - White

Flower cluster (Single flowered Gathering corymbs) :

Shape of flower cluster - Flat

10 Diameter of flower cluster - Approximately 22 cm

Height of flower cluster - Approximately 8 cm

Capitula:

Transected shape of ~~corolla~~capitula - Fairly closed

Diameter of ~~flower~~capitula - Approximately 3.2 cm

15 ~~Size~~Diameter of entire disk ~~flower~~ - Approximately 0.8 cm

Color of ~~petal~~ray floret - Vivid reddish purple (near

R.H.S.C.C. No.74A)

Marginal variegation - Absent

Color of disk ~~flower~~floret - Strong reddish purple (near

20 R.H.S.C.C. No.72A)

~~Petal~~Ray floret length - Approximately 1.5 cm

~~Petal~~Ray floret width - Approximately 0.8 cm

Shape of ~~petal~~ray floret - Elliptical

Lengthwise warp of ~~petal~~ray floret - Flat

25 Concavity of ~~petal~~ray floret tip - Present

Shape of ~~petal~~ray floret tip - Acute

Number of ray ~~flower~~floret - Approximately 13

Number of disk ~~flower~~floret - Approximately 86

30 Diameter of pedicel of the first ~~flower~~capitulum -
Approximately 1.5 mm

Length of pedicel of the first ~~flower~~capitulum -

Approximately 2.5 cm

Number of ~~flowers~~capitula per a ~~flower~~clusterplant -

Approximately 180

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Scent - Present

Calyx*Phyllaries:

Degree of concavity Flat

Degree of recurvature Length - Approximately 2.2 mm

5 Color - Moderate yellow green (near R.H.S.C.C. No.139C)

Anthocyanin coloration - Absent

Pistil:

Color - Strong reddish purple (near R.H.S.C.C. No.72A)

Number - 1

10 Type - Style branches truncate (i.e., the top of the style is separated in [to] two and the shape of the top is truncated)

Stamen:

Color - Strong reddish purple (near R.H.S.C.C. No.72A)

15 Type - 5 anthers are connate, with separated filaments
Blooming period - January (Sowing in August)

Hardiness:

Cold - Good

Rain - Good

20 Heat - Good

Resistance:

Disease - Good

Insect - Good

SUMMARY OF THE NEW VARIETY

25 'Sunsenerapi' is a dome-shaped plant with an eff height
+average height of approximately 31.8 cm in the blooming
period[[]]. There is a branch from everueevery node and
branching is abundant, i.e., approximately 9 to 11 branches.
The stem is approximately 4.8 mm in diameter with fewlight
30 pubescences.

The leaves are small, approximately 13.9 cm long,
approximately 9.7 cm wide. The leaves are shaped in a
serrated heart form with a swollen basal part, which is

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notched [[at]] where the basal part of the blade attaches to the petiole. The leaf color is moderate olive green, with no anthocyanin coloration on the reverse side. Pubescence on both sides of leaf is dense. The petiole is approximately 5 10.0 cm long and approximately 3.4 mm in diameter.

The new variety has large flower clusters which are high and uneven in shape (i.e., the locations of the individual ~~flowers~~capitula forming the cluster are uneven or not flat). A flower cluster means a gathering of capitula heads in a plant of the new variety. A head is a flower consisting of a ~~disk and a plurality of petals, i.e. ray flowers~~. The capitulum~~flower~~ is single flowered with no marginal variegation. The corollacapitulum has a flat transected shape (i.e., when the corollacapitulum opens, petalsray florets are 10 flat when viewed from the side). The ~~flower~~capitula is approximately 6.7 cm in diameter, while the entire disk ~~flower~~ is approximately 1.3 cm in diameter. The petalsray florets ~~is~~ are approximately 3.1 cm long and approximately 0.8 cm wide. The color of the petalray floret is light purplish pink (near 15 R.H.S.C.C. No.75C), while the color of the disk florets ~~are~~[[is]] strong reddish purple (near R.H.S.C.C. No.77B). One ~~flower~~capitulum has approximately 13 ray flowersflorets and approximately 167 disk flowersflorets. A ray flowerfloret has 20 a pistil, but no stamen. A disk flowerfloret is tubular and has a pistil and a stamen formed by 5 connate anthers with separated filaments. There are approximately 155 flowers are 25 in a flower clustercapitula per plant. The degree of recurvature of calyx~~The length of phyllary~~ is approximately 2.0 mm. The ealyx~~phyllary~~ is flat and has no anthocyanin 30 coloration. The Pedicelpedicel is approximately 3.9 cm long and approximately 1.2 mm in diameter. The flowers have some scent.

Blooming period is medium and blooming term is long. After cutting in July, it flowers start to bloom at the end of

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the January in ~~Omeri cho, Yokaichi shi, Shiga ken~~, Japan. The blooming continues from January to May, if under appropriate control. By temperatures Around around a temperature of 15°C, the individual bloom lasts two weeks. The flower buds grow one after another from the axil. The flower is not self-cleaning because ~~petals~~florets remain attached in a wilted and dry state as the flower fully matures.

5 The new variety has moderate cold ~~hardiness~~ and ~~resistance to heat tolerance~~. The new variety does not die at around 0°C, but when frost occurs the cells can be necrosed resulting in the death of the plant. Usually, *Senecio cruentus* has a tendency of slightly reduced growth in a hot season, whereas the new variety has no problem in growing in the hot season.

10 15 The fertility of the new variety is low. Generally, *Senecio* genus plants have high fertility (i.e., bear many seeds per flower). In contrast, 'Sunsenerapi' bears no seed or very few seeds per ~~flower~~capitulum. When no seed is formed, there is a part corresponding to a seed coat, which remains in an immature state, i.e., without embryo and endosperm inside the immature seed coat.

20 25 The new variety, 'Sunsenerapi', differs from similar varieties, 'Sunserene' and 'Midget', of the *Senecio* genus and from parent varieties *Senecio heritieri* and '8S-84e' in the following points.

30 1. 'Sunsenerapi' is a high type plant, approximately 31.8 cm in height. 'Sunserene' is a high type plant, approximately 25 cm in height. 'Midget' is a compact type plant, approximately 14 cm in height. The pollen parent *Senecio heritieri* is a semi-compact type plant, approximately 26 cm in height and female plant '8S-84e' is a compact type plant, approximately 16 cm in height.

2. The ~~flower~~capitulum of 'Sunsenerapi' has light

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purplish pink petalsray florets, strong reddish purple disk flowersflorets and no marginal variegation, while. That of 'Sunsenere' has vivid reddish purple petalsray florets, deep reddish purple disk flowersflorets and no marginal 5 variegation. That of 'Midget' has vivid reddish purple petalsray florets, strong reddish purple disk flowersflorets and no marginal variegation. Thehat of female parent '8S-84e' has white petalsray florets, white disk florets and no 10 marginal variegation. Thehat of pollen parent *Senecio heritieri* has strong purple petalsray florets, strong reddish purple disk flowersflorets and white marginal part.

3. The petiole length of 'Sunsenerapi' is longer than that of 'Sunsenere' or 'Midget'.

4. 'Sunsenerapi' has more pubescence of stems than that of 'Sunsenere' and fewer than that of 'Midget'. 15

5. The blooming term of 'Sunsenerapi' is longer than that of 'Midget'.

6. The fertility of 'Sunsenerapi' is lower than that of 'Midget'. 20

The plant height and flower color are most distinctive characteristics of this new variety, 'Sunsenerapi'.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWING

Fig.1 is a photograph giving a partial view of the new variety of *Senecio* genus plant named 'Sunsenerapi' planted in a pot. 25

Fig.2 is a photograph of flowerscapitula of the new variety of *Senecio* genus plant named 'Sunsenerapi'.

DESCRIPTION OF THE NEW VARIETY

The botanical characteristics of this new and distinct variety of *Senecio* genus plant named 'Sunsenerapi' at an age of 30 7 months after cutting in July are as follows (i.e., these botanical characteristics were observed in January of the year

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following the cutting with the new variety planted in a 15 cm pot and grown in a greenhouse, the lowest temperature of which was controlled at 12°C in winter).

Plant:

5 Growth habit - Semi-dwarf erect
 Height - Approximately 31.8 cm
 Spread - Approximately 35 cm

Stem:

10 Lateral stem length - Approximately 12.0 cm
 Lateral stem diameter - Approximately 3.5 mm
 Thickness 4.8 mm
 Color - Very pale green (near R.H.S.C.C. No.130D)
 Anthocyanin coloration - Absent
 Branching - Abundant, i.e., approximately 9 to 11
15 branches
 Type of primary lateral shoot - Branch from every node
 Pubescence - Medium
 Length of third internode below flag leaf Internode length
 at the middle of the main stem - Approximately 1.8 cm

20 Leaf:

Whole shape - Heart form with a swollen basal part, which is notched [[at]] where the basal part of the blade attaches to the petiole.

25 Depth of concavity of leaf margin - The maximum depth of concavity measured from the average convexity peak height is approximately 5 mm.

30 Type of convexity - Acute
 Apex shape - Acute
 Base shape - Cordate
 Degree of Undulation Weak
 Margin - Palmately lobed, crenate and weakly undulated
 Length - Approximately 13.9 cm
 Width - Approximately 9.7 cm

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Diameter of petiole - Approximately 3.4 mm

Length of petiole - Approximately 10.0 cm

Petiole color - near R.H.S. 145B

Color of upper surface - Moderate olive green (near

5 R.H.S.C.C. No.146A)

Color of reverse surface - Moderate yellow green (near
R.H.S.C.C. No.147D)

Anthocyanin coloration of reverse surface - Absent

Pubescence of upper surface - Sparse

10 Pubescence of reverse surface - Dense

Color of pubescence of reverse surface - White

Flower cluster (Gathering of corymbs) (Single flowered):

Shape of flower cluster - Round

Diameter of flower cluster - Approximately 34 cm

15 Height of flower cluster - Approximately 22 cm

Capitula:

Transected shape of corollacapitula - Flat

Diameter of flowercapitula - Approximately 6.7 cm

SizeDiameter of entire disk flower - Approximately 1.3 cm

20 Color of petalray floret (upper) - Light purplish pink

(near R.H.S.C.C. No.75C); color of ray floret (lower) - near
R.H.S. 76C

Marginal variegation - Absent

Color of disk flowerfloret - Strong reddish purple (near

25 R.H.S.C.C. No.77B)

PetalRay floret length - Approximately 3.1 cm

PetalRay floret width - Approximately 0.8 cm

Ray floret margin - Entire

Base shape of ray floret - Obtuse

30 Shape of petalray floret - Long oblong

Lengthwise warp of petalray floret - Flat

Concavity of petalray floret tip - Present

Shape of petalray floret tip - Acute

Number of ray flowerfloret - Approximately 13

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Number of disk ~~flower~~floret - Approximately 167

Diameter of pedicel of the first ~~flower~~capitulum -
Approximately 1.2 mm

5 Length of pedicel of the first ~~flower~~capitulum -
Approximately 3.9 cm

Color - Near R.H.S. 152B

Number of ~~flowers~~capitula per a ~~flower~~ cluster~~plant~~ -
Approximately 155

Scent - Present

10 Disk floret:

Length - Approximately 8.5 mm

Width - Approximately 2.0 mm

Shape - Tubular trumpet shape.

Calyx Phyllaries:

15 Degree of concavity - Flat

Number of phyllaries - Approximately 14

Degree of recurvature Length - Approximately 2.0 mm

Color - Moderate yellow green (near R.H.S.C.C. No.139C)

Anthocyanin coloration - Absent

20 Shape - Lanceolate

Apex - Acute

Margin - Entire

Base - Fused

Bud:

25 Diameter - Approximately 6.0 mm

Length - Approximately 5.5 mm

Shape - Globose

Color - Near R.H.S. 144B

Pistil:

30 Color - Vivid purple (near R.H.S.C.C. No.82A)

Number - 1 per ray and disk floret

Type - Style branches truncate (i.e., the top of the style is separated in[[to]] two and the shape of the top is truncated)

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Stamen:

Color - Dark yellow (near R.H.S.C.C. No.153B)

Type - A disk floret has 5 connate anthers are connate,
with separated filaments. Ray floret has no stamen.

5 Amount of pollen - Scarce

Pollen color - Near R.H.S. 21C

Blooming period - Start at the end of January (cutting in
July)

Time to flower - Approximately 6 months

10 Hardiness:

Cold - Good

Rain - Good

Heat - Good

Resistance:

15 Disease - Good

Insect - Good

The new variety and *Senecio cruentus* have similar
resistance to powdery mildew, leaf spot, aphid, whitefly, and
thrips. The new variety, 'Sunsenerapi', is a tall type plant
and most suitable for flower potting.

20 This new and distinct variety of *Senecio* genus plant
named 'Sunsenerapi' was asexually reproduced by cutting at
Omori-cho, Yokaichi-shi, Shiga-ken, Japan and the homogeneity
and stability thereof were confirmed.